

the United States government and General Obregon insists upon compliance. But I feel sure that the Americans will accede to the demands of the de facto government and there will be no danger of a clash between the two nations."

It is currently reported in Douglas that messengers have been sent to the Bavispe river valley, carrying instructions to General Arnulfo Gomez, commander of the de facto forces concentrated near the Chihuahua border, and other sub-chiefs of the Sonora army.

It is apparent that General Calles is preparing his forces to meet any emergency which may arise from the conference.

ANTHRACITE WORKERS WIN BIG VICTORY

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New York, April 29.—Wage increases which would increase the anthracite mine workers' payroll by approximately \$3,000,000 in the next four years, are offered in the collective agreement reached early today by a joint sub-committee of operators and miners. It was announced tonight. The agreement, it was predicted by both sides, in all probability will be accepted by the miners' board representing the miners at their meeting here tomorrow.

Representatives of the miners declared here tonight that the new agreement, which will cover a four-year period, "means the biggest triumph at point of concessions ever obtained by the miners." The operators for the first time have granted to the miners the right to organize for bettering conditions in the coal fields, the leaders asserted.

The increase in wages virtually amounts to 12 1/2 per cent for day work days, according to miners.

METHODISTS FOR PEACE POLICIES OF PRESIDENT

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Saratoga Springs, N. Y., April 29.—Assurance that Methodists of the United States were in sympathy with President Wilson's efforts to keep the United States from becoming involved in the European war, was voiced here today by Bishop Earl Cranston of Washington, D. C. Bishop Cranston, who will open the twenty-seventh general conference of the Methodist Episcopal church here tomorrow, was addressing a preliminary service.

"I would assure the president," Bishop Cranston says, "that whatever temporary backslidings may happen in a few Methodists here or yonder may fall under the spell of a magnetic political leader, the great body of our people are in full sympathy with all of his patriotic and Christian endeavors to keep this nation out of the European embroilment."

"We Methodists do not believe that it is patriotic for a few Americans to insist upon their rights to travel at sea in such a time as this, for personal reasons, at the risk of bringing the horrors and desolations of war upon millions of their fellow Americans."

During his address Bishop Cranston endorsed the plan proposed for the union of the northern and southern branches of the church, which is to be considered by the conference.

The conference will determine the policies to govern over four million members of the Methodist Episcopal church enrolled in 15,000 parishes throughout the world. Nine hundred delegates, comprising equal divisions of clergy and laymen, have been chosen during the last year by 122 annual conferences in Europe, Asia, Africa, and North and South America to participate in the deliberations of this gathering, which is the worldwide legislative body of the Methodist Episcopal church. Among the non-clerical delegates are a few women who have been eligible for membership since 1900. The meeting will last four weeks.

In the opinion of leading members, this conference, by the nature of many of the questions to be submitted for action, will be the most important since the first delegated Methodist assembly was held in New York City in 1812. Many of the delegates come from Germany, Austria-Hungary, Bulgaria, France and Russia.

A place on the program has been given them to present their impressions of conditions in the war-torn lands for the first time since the outbreak of the war, to report to their co-workers the result of the struggle on their efforts for the spread of Methodism.

Other delegations will represent the churches in the neutral European countries, Norway, Sweden, Denmark and Switzerland, where normal conditions of church work have been overturned. The mission fields in the far east, where political changes of great importance have occurred since the last conference, will be reported by bishops, missionaries and native workers who will also give an account of their labors.

PITTSBURGS TIED UP BY STREET CAR STRIKE

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Pittsburgh, April 29.—A strike of street car men will tie up all lines in the city and suburbs, as well as interurban lines in the Beaver valley, was ordered at midnight by T. J. Ward, president of the local union, after negotiations between the men and officials of the Pittsburgh Railway company had been broken off. It was expected the traction system of the city would be at a standstill by 2 o'clock tomorrow morning.

The strike affects 2,200 conductors and motormen and about 200 other employees. The men asked for a maximum wage of 36 cents an hour, an increase of 6 cents, while President J. D. Calley was willing to grant them only 32 cents.

HEAVY FIGHTING ABOUT VERDUN WITH FRENCH ON THE OFFENSIVE

Paris Reports Tell of Two Successful Attacks on German Trenches; Berlin States Contrary Result.

TEUTONS LOSE EIGHT AEROPLANE BATTLES

Kaiser's Forces Gain on Russian Front; Austrian Assault on Italian Lines Is Repulsed.

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The French and Germans, on several sectors to the northwest of Verdun, have been engaged in relatively heavy infantry fighting, with the results evidently in favor of the French. To the north of Le Mort Homme the French seized a German trench and captured fifty-three prisoners and to the north of Cumières, made a similar gain in which thirty prisoners were taken. Berlin says that strong French attacks from Le Mort Homme to the northern part of the Caurettes wood, were repulsed.

Artillery Fighting Mostly.

On the remainder of the French front, except for small infantry attacks, notably in the Vosges mountains and in the region of Lassigny, bombardments alone have been in progress.

In the fights in the air, the French claim that their aviators have brought down four Fokkers, and four other German aeroplanes, while Berlin says that in a fight over Verdun, a French machine was shot down.

Except for an Austrian attack on Col Di Lana, which the Italians repulsed, only bombardments have taken place on the Austro-Italian line.

Germans Gain in Russia.

In the region south of Lake Narcoz, a further success for the German arms against the Russians in the capture of four guns, one machine gun and eighty-three prisoners is reported by Berlin.

The backbone of the revolt in Dublin has been broken and the rebel leaders there have sent messengers to counties ordering the rebels to surrender, according to an official statement issued in London.

In Dublin the rebels are reported to be surrendering freely and already 767 prisoners have been taken, among them the Countess Markievicz, a noted agitator. As late as Saturday night, more incendiary fires were set in Sackville street, which already had been badly damaged.

TREVINO'S FORCES HUNTING DOWN BANDITS

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El Paso, Tex., April 29.—Further dispersal of Villistas and other bandit forces was reported to Gen. Jacinto Trevino from points in the states of Tamaulipas, Nuevo Leon, Coahuila and Chihuahua today. General Trevino is in Juarez at present, participating with General Obregon in the conference with General Scott and Funston.

His report included the following: Carranza troops defeated thirty bandits near the station of General Zepeda between Parras and Saitlo after a running fight. The leader, Elias Paez, and one man escaped. The remainder were either killed or captured and executed. Among the executed are Col. Jose Reyes, Col. Jesus Hernandez and Capt. Lorenzo Ortega.

Six armed Villistas surrendered to General Marquez at Jefatura and were granted amnesty.

An ex-Villista colonel, a major, and twenty men surrendered to Colonel Gonzales at Parres. B. H. Gonzales at Parres.

EXPERIENCED GENERAL HEADS TEXAS MILITIA

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Austin, Tex., April 29.—John A. Hulen, of Houston, has been appointed brigadier general of the Texas national guard, in succession to the late Cecil A. Lyon.

General Hulen served in the army during the Spanish-American war and participated in the Gilmores expedition in the Philippine Islands.

In appointing General Hulen, Governor Ferguson is said to have considered that the national guard should have a soldier of experience at its head at this time because of unsatisfactory conditions along the border in Mexico.

PRESIDENT TALKS TO FRISCO OVER PHONE

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San Francisco, April 29.—President Wilson, through Senator James D. Phelan at Washington, sent his greetings and congratulations to the people of San Francisco early today by long distance telephone. Nearly 1,000 spectators, attending the annual performance of the Press club of San Francisco, commemorating the city's rehabilitation from the great fire of 1906, sat with receivers at their ears at 4 o'clock this morning and heard Senator Phelan deliver the president's message.

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AMERICANISM ON TRIAL DECLARES COL. ROOSEVELT

Speaking to Chicago Bankers, Former President Says Way to Keep Out of War Is to Be Prepared for It.

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Chicago, April 29.—Americanism is on trial, with the national character in the balance, Theodore Roosevelt said in a preparedness appeal here tonight to the people living in the territory "between the Alleghenies and the Rockies." The former president, speaking before the Illinois Bar association, discussed "National Duty and International Ideals," alluding to conditions in Mexico and in Europe and urging industrial and social as well as military preparedness.

"I ask you of the west," he said, "to take the lead in the effort for a robust and virile nationalism, fit and ready to cope with all possible dangers at home and abroad. . . . I ask for military preparedness as an arm to help the national discipline. . . . I ask you to prepare so that we may secure peace for ourselves and for others; not the peace of cowardice nor the peace of selfishness, but the peace of righteousness and of justice, the peace of brave men pledged to the service of this mighty democratic republic, and through that service pledged also to the service of the world at large."

Character in Balance.

"Our national character is in the balance. Americanism is on trial. If we produce merely the self-seeking, ease-loving, duty-shrinking man, whether he be a mere materialist or a mere silly sentimental; if we produce only the Americanism of the graftor and the mollycoddle and the safety first, get-rich-quick, peace-at-any-price man, we will have produced an American faithful only to the spirit of the tories of 1776 and the copperheads of 1861, and fit only to vanish from the earth."

No Official Information.

Colonel Roosevelt said he did not agree with those "prophets of gloom" who have said that the west, prosperous and indifferent, secures safety because she is in the middle of the continent, cares nothing of the dangers that might befall the cities on the Atlantic or the Pacific coast, cares nothing for what has befallen the dwellers along the Mexican boundary."

"If I did," he declared, "I should despair of the republic. The west is to a peculiar degree the democratic, the intensely and characteristically American, section of our land. The west produced for the service of the whole nation Abraham Lincoln and Andrew Jackson, and I know that their spirit is still the spirit of her sons. I appeal to the men of the west to take the lead in the movement for the genuine nationalization of our people."

Industrial Preparedness.

Discussing industrial preparedness, Colonel Roosevelt said he stood "heartily for protection." "By that I mean not only protection to American industries and to the material interests of American workingmen, farmers and business men," he explained, "I also mean, and with even greater emphasis, protection for the whole American nation, protection for America's self-respect, protection for America's position among the nations, protection for her when she strives, as she ought to strive, to bring peace to the rest of the world. And there can be no such protection without thorough-going preparation—military, social and industrial."

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It was intimated at the state department soon after the American note was dispatched, however, that the United States might consent to further negotiations in the event of Germany declaring and effecting what the United States demands. It was made clear, however, that the demands would have to be acceded to first.

There is no definite information here regarding the time when the reply may be expected. It is felt in diplomatic and official quarters, however, that it hardly will be received before the middle of the week at the earliest.

HIGH WAGES TO BE PAID LABOR AT ANCHORAGE

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Denver, April 29.—E. E. Pettigrove, arrested at Hot Springs, Ark., today was employed at the local offices of Swift & Co. as a bookkeeper and is alleged to have been short more than \$28,000 in his accounts, according to a recent audit by the company's traveling auditor.

ALL SHIPS CARRYING FOOD TO BE SUNK

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Rotterdam, April 29 (12:35 p. m.)—The captain of the Dutch ship Berkelaer, which was sunk in the North sea April 23 by a German submarine, is quoted by the Nieuw Rotterdamsche Courant as declaring that the commander of the underwater boat told him the Germans intend to sink all ships of every nationality carrying food to England.

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Prince Albert Recovers.

London, April 29 (8:30 p. m.)—Prince Albert, second son of King George, who has been undergoing a long course of treatment for a gastric disorder, has completely recovered and shortly will resume his duties in the navy.

Climbing Roses, Clematis and Honeysuckle. Albuquerque Greenhouses.

LANSING WAITS GERMAN REPLY; NO INTIMATION RECEIVED YET

It is Believed Berlin May Meet Demands With Promises as to Further Discussion of Submarines.

NO PROLONGED DELAY BELIEVED POSSIBLE

Answer of Kaiser's Government Not Likely Before Middle of Week at Earliest, Is Belief.

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Washington, April 29—Secretary Lansing said tonight he had no new dispatches from Germany bearing on the submarine situation and that Ambassador Gerard has not reported on his conference with Emperor William. A report from Mr. Gerard is expected hourly and officials think it probably will forecast the German reply.

Information received tonight from German sources is to the effect that the Berlin government has considered replying to the American demand for the immediate abandonment of present methods of submarine warfare with an offer to have its submarines operate, at least temporarily, only as cruisers against enemy merchant ships. German officials are said to have expressed themselves as being favorable toward the plan. The state department, so far as is known, has no information on the subject.

No Official Information.

If the German reply has been drafted official information on the subject is lacking. That a note will be sent by Berlin in preference to instructions to Count von Bernstorff, the German ambassador, is considered in German quarters to be certain. It is known that the latter method of procedure at one time was considered by the German government. The idea was said to have been abandoned, however, because German officials in Berlin felt a note would serve all purposes more completely.

May Meet Demands.

The American note calls upon Germany to immediately "declare and effect" an abandonment of existing submarine practices. In German quarters it is intimated that it is quite possible the Berlin government formally will so "declare and effect" and qualify the action with a statement that the declaration is to remain in effect pending final agreement over the principles involved. There is no indication whether such action would meet with the approval of the United States.

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